

**DECLARATION FOR UTILITY OR
DESIGN
PATENT APPLICATION
(37 CFR 1.63)**

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Attorney Docket Number	M03B197
First Named Inventor	STONES et al.
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Application Number	
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Art Unit	
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Each inventor's residence, mailing address, and citizenship are as stated below next to their name.

I believe the inventor(s) named below to be the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

VACUUM PUMP

(Title of the Invention)

the specification of which

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OR

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PCT/GB2004/004046	GB	09/23/2004	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
0322888.9	GB	09/30/2003	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
0409139.3	GB	04/23/2004	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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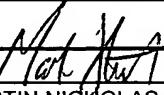
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